

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the first paragraph, starting on page 1, line 7, of the specification as follows:

This application is a continuation of copending application serial no[:]. 09/415,899, filed October 8, 1999, pending, which is a continuation-in-part of copending application serial no[:]. 08/486,549, filed June 7, 1995, now U.S. Patent No. 6,120,764. The benefit of priority under 35 USC § 120 is claimed for all of the foregoing applications. All applications for which priority is claimed are hereby incorporated by reference.

Please amend the paragraph starting on page 1, line 15, of the specification as follows:

A sequence listing is provided separately, both as a CRF on a [3.5 inch disk containing a single file] compact disc, and as a separate paper copy. The Sequence Listing of the CRF is identical to the paper copy Sequence Listing.

Please amend the paragraph starting on page 4, line 16, of the specification as follows:

FIGS. 3(A-B) is a diagrammatic representation of the structure and construction of regulated reporter plasmids and viruses that can express firefly luciferase following excision of DNA by action of Cre recombinase, and depicts SEQ ID NO:1, SEQ ID NO:2, and SEQ ID NO:3.

Further, Applicant respectfully requests entry into the application of the enclosed paper copy and CRF of the Sequence listing.